

**REMARKS**

The claims are claims 1, 4, 7, 9 and 11 to 23.

The application has been amended at several locations to correct minor errors and to present uniform language throughout.

Claims 1, 7, 9, 11 and 13 are amended. Claims 2, 3, 5, 6, 8 and 10 are canceled. New claims 14 to 23 are added. Claim 1 has been amended to incorporate limitations of canceled claims 5 and 6. Claim 7 has been amended into independent form incorporating the limitations of prior base claim 1 and claim 10. Claim 11 has been amended into independent form incorporating the limitations of prior base claims 1 and 9. Claim 11 has been amended into independent form incorporating the limitations of prior base claim 1. New claim 14 recites subject matter corresponding to claim 4 except dependent on claim 7. New claims 15 to 17 correspond to claims 2 to 4 except dependent upon claim 9. New claims 18 to 20 correspond to claims 2 to 4 except dependent upon claim 11. New claims 21 to 23 correspond to claims 2 to 4 except dependent upon claim 11.

Paragraph 6 of the OFFICE ACTION stated that claims 6, 8 and 11 to 13 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Amended claim corresponds to claim 6 in independent form. Amended claim 7 corresponds to claim 8 in independent form. Claims 11 and 13 have been amended to independent form incorporating all the limitations their respective base claims. Accordingly, claims 1, 7, 9, 11, 12 and 13 are allowable.

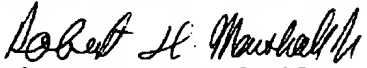
Claims 4 and 14 to 23 are allowable by dependence upon respective allowable claims.

The Applicants respectfully submit that all the present claims are allowable for the reasons set forth above. Therefore early reconsideration and advance to issue are respectfully requested.

If the Examiner has any questions or other correspondence regarding this application, Applicants request that the Examiner contact Applicants' attorney at the below listed telephone number and address to facilitate prosecution.

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